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FOLLOWING IS UNOFFICIAL TRANSLATION OF SOVIET PLENARY
STATEMENT OF NOVEMBER 2.

BEGIN TEXT:

THE SOVIET GOVERNMENT HAS CONSIDERED THE SITUATION THAT
HAS COME ABOUT AT THE TRILATERAL NEGOTIATIONS ON THE
COMPLETE BAN ON NUCLEAR WEAPONS TESTING. IN ORDER TO
EXPEDITE THE SOLUTION OF THIS IMPORTANT PROBLEM WHICH IS
OF CONCERN TO THE PEOPLES OF THE WORLD, THE SOVIET GOVERN-
MENT EXPRESSES ITS WILLINGNESS TO REACH AGREEMENT ON THIS
PROBLEM ON THE FOLLOWING BASIS.

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A MORATORIUM ON PEACEFUL NUCLEAR EXPLOSIONS WILL BE
DECLARED. A PROVISION ON SUCH A MORATORIUM ON PEACEFUL
NUCLEAR EXPLOSIONS COULD BE FORMULATED AS A PROTOCOL TO
THE TREATY. IN THIS CONNECTION THERE SHOULD BE A PRO-
VISION TO THE EFFECT THAT AFTER ENTRY INTO FORCE OF THE
TREATY THE NEGOTIATIONS WILL BE CONTINUED FOR THE PURPOSE
OF REACHING A MUTUALLY ACCEPTABLE SOLUTION ON PEACEFUL

NUCLEAR EXPLOSIONS IN THE FUTURE AND ON THE PROCEDURE OF THEIR CONDUCT. APPROPRIATE DECISIONS ON THIS QUESTION COULD CERTAINLY BE MADE BEFORE THE EXPIRATION OF THE MORATORIUM.

2. AN INITIAL PERIOD FOR THE TREATY TO BE IN EFFECT, LASTING THREE YEARS, WILL BE ESTABLISHED; DURING THIS PERIOD STARTING FROM THE MOMENT OF ENTRY INTO FORCE OF THE TREATY, ALL NUCLEAR WEAPONS TESTING WILL BE BANNED. A MORATORIUM ON ALL PEACEFUL NUCLEAR EXPLOSIONS WILL BE ANNOUNCED SIMULTANEOUSLY FOR THE SAME PERIOD OF TIME.

3. THE SOVIET UNION IS WILLING FOR THE THREE NUCLEAR POWERS - THE USSR, THE US AND BRITAIN TO SIGN THE TREATY INITIALLY AND, AFTER ENTRY INTO FORCE, TO STOP NUCLEAR WEAPONS TESTING WITHOUT WAITING FOR THE PRC AND FRANCE TO JOIN THE TREATY.

ON SIGNING OF THE TREATY THE THREE NUCLEAR POWERS WOULD APPEAL TO THE OTHER NUCLEAR AND NON-NUCLEAR STATES TO JOIN THE TREATY. IF THE OTHER NUCLEAR POWERS DO NOT JOIN THE TREATY DURING THIS PERIOD OF TIME WHICH, AS STATED ABOVE, SHOULD BE THREE YEARS, THEN THE USSR, THE US AND BRITAIN WOULD BE RELEASED FROM THEIR OBLIGATIONS UNDER THE TREATY.

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4. PROVISIONS ON THE PROCEDURE FOR ENTRY INTO FORCE OF THE TREATY AND ON ITS DURATION SHOULD BE FORMALIZED IN APPROXIMATELY THE FOLLOWING MANNER:

- THE TREATY SHALL ENTER INTO FORCE AFTER THE DEPOSIT OF INSTRUMENTS OF RATIFICATION BY....GOVERNMENTS (THEIR NUMBER IS SUBJECT TO AGREEMENT), INCLUDING THE GOVERNMENTS OF THE USSR, THE US AND GREAT BRITAIN.

- THE TREATY SHALL REMAIN IN FORCE FOR THREE YEARS. IF BEFORE ITS EXPIRATION THE REMAINING STATES POSSESSING NUCLEAR WEAPONS SHOULD BECOME PARTIES TO IT, THE TREATY AUTOMATICALLY BECOMES OF UNLIMITED DURATION.

5. THE SOVIET UNION DOES NOT OBJECT TO INCLUDING IN THE TREATY A PROVISION ON ITS REVIEW BY THE PARTIES TO THE TREATY BEFORE EXPIRATION OF THE ORIGINAL PERIOD IT WAS IN EFFECT.

NOR DOES THE SOVIET UNION OBJECT TO A PERIODIC REVIEW BY PARTIES TO THE TREATY, LET US SAY, ONCE EVERY FIVE YEARS, IN THE EVENT THAT, IN ACCORDANCE WITH ITS PRO-

VISIONS, THE TREATY SHOULD BECOME OF UNLIMITED DURATION (I.E., IF THE REMAINING NUCLEAR STATES BECOME PARTIES TO THE TREATY). SUCH A REVIEW COULD TAKE PLACE AT CONFERENCES OF PARTIES TO THE TREATY AS IS PROVIDED FOR BY A NUMBER OF INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENTS ON ARMS LIMITATION CURRENTLY IN FORCE.

6. THE SOVIET UNION IS FIRMLY CONVINCED THAT SPECIFIC VERIFICATION ISSUES SHALL BE RESOLVED FULLY AND EFFECTIVELY ON THE BASIS OF OUR PROPOSALS, ESPECIALLY

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SINCE THE SOVIET SIDE HAS GONE FAR ENOUGH TOWARD MEETING THE WISHES OF THE US AND BRITAIN.

THE SOVIET UNION CONTINUES TO CONSIDER UNACCEPTABLE THE PROPOSAL CONCERNING PLACEMENT OF AUTOMATIC SEISMIC STATIONS ON OUR TERRITORY. AS FAR AS ON-SITE INSPECTION IS CONCERNED, WE CONSIDER IT POSSIBLE ON A VOLUNTARY BASIS. IN THIS CONNECTION, IN THE INTEREST OF REACHING AGREEMENT ON THIS PROBLEM, THE SOVIET UNION IS WILLING TO HAVE THE RIGHTS AND FUNCTIONS OF THE DESIGNATED PERSONNEL BE AGREED UPON IN ADVANCE AMONG THE PARTICIPANTS OF THE NEGOTIATIONS. AS WAS INDICATED PREVIOUSLY IN OUR STATEMENTS OF OCTOBER 21 AND NOVEMBER 1, WE ARE ALSO READY TO CONSIDER THE POSSIBILITY OF ENHANCING THE EFFECTIVENESS OF NATIONAL SEISMIC STATIONS AND OF ENSURING THE AUTHENTICITY OF SEISMIC INFORMATION.

7. IN PUTTING FORTH THE PROPOSAL FOR A MORATORIUM ON NUCLEAR EXPLOSIONS FOR PEACEFUL PURPOSES, IN AGREEING TO AN EXTENSION OF THE INITIAL PERIOD DURING WHICH ALL

NUCLEAR WEAPONS TESTING WILL BE BANNED, IN PROPOSING A
PROCEDURE FOR ENTRY INTO FORCE OF THE TREATY WHICH MEETS
THE WISHES OF THE US AND BRITAIN, IN AGREEING TO DEFINE
IN ADVANCE THE RIGHTS AND FUNCTIONS OF DESIGNATED
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PERSONNEL FOR THE CONDUCT OF VOLUNTARY ON-SITE INSPECTIONS,
THE SOVIET GOVERNMENT PROCEEDS FROM THE PREMISE THAT THE
WESTERN PARTICIPANTS IN THE NEGOTIATIONS, ON THE BASIS OF
RECIPROCITY, WILL MEET US HALFWAY ON OTHER ISSUES AND,
FIRST OF ALL, ON THE ISSUE OF VERIFICATION.

THE SOLUTION THE SOVIET UNION PROPOSES FOR THE QUESTION
OF NUCLEAR EXPLOSIONS FOR PEACEFUL PURPOSES, AS WELL AS
THE OTHER PROPOSALS SET FORTH TODAY BY THE SOVIET SIDE,
ENSURE THE NECESSARY CONDITIONS FOR WORKING OUT AND
CONCLUDING A TREATY ON THE COMPLETE AND GENERAL PRO-
HIBITION ON NUCLEAR WEAPONS TESTING.

THE SOVIET DELEGATION EXPRESSES THE HOPE THAT THE
PROPOSALS WE HAVE SET FORTH AT THE INSTRUCTION OF THE
GOVERNMENT OF THE USSR, AND WHICH OPEN THE WAY TO
EXPEDITING AGREEMENT ON THE COMPLETE BAN ON NUCLEAR
WEAPONS TESTING, WILL BE ASSESSED ON THEIR MERITS BY OUR
NEGOTIATING PARTNERS. WE ARE PREPARED TO BEGIN WITHOUT
DELAY THE SPECIFIC WORKING OUT AND AGREEING OF ALL
QUESTIONS OF THE TREATY ON THE COMPLETE AND GENERAL
PROHIBITION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS TESTING. END TEXT. WARNKE

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